

VILLA
DENIES
A SPLIT

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HOWEVER, OVER SCORE WERE SENT AWAY

They Were Captured in a Raid on Various National Offices at Juarez Late Yesterday—Carranza's Publicity Agent Missing

El Paso, June 17.—General Villa, through his agent here, issued today a general denial of any split between himself and Carranza, and said that the arrest of Carranza officials at Juarez had been the result of a misinterpretation of orders on the part of Colonel Thomas Ornelas, in charge of the Juarez garrison.

It was learned, however, that between twenty and thirty employees in the Juarez offices were sent on a special train this morning to Chihuahua City, the state capital, thence to be transported to Torreon, where Villa remained. The men were arrested late yesterday by Colonel Ornelas in a raid on various national offices, where Carranza appointees were employed. The whereabouts of H. Perez Abreu is the matter of most speculation. He was selected by Carranza as his publicity agent at Washington, as the publicity agent of the revolution. Constitutional agents are here to-day attempting to find an explanation from the south of the sudden turn of affairs at Juarez, but a rigid censorship on telegrams from Villa's headquarters at Torreon has prevented from arriving any messages other than those denying any split on account of the appointment of Natera as chief of the new central zone and other incidents.

REBEL GUNBOAT BEATEN, PROBABLY SUNK

Battle Was Witnessed by Three American Vessels—Captain and Chief Engineer of Defeated Vessel Committed Suicide.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—The Huerta gunboat Guerrero defeated and probably sunk the constitutionalist gunboat Tampico near Mazatlan, according to reports to-day to Rear Admiral Howard. The captain and the chief engineer of the Tampico committed suicide.

The battle was witnessed by the United States ships New Orleans, Perry and Preble. No details of the battle are reported.

NEXT MOVE DEPENDS ON UNITED STATES

Our Representatives at Niagara Falls Sent 2,000-Word Message to Washington Following Conference.

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 17.—On word from the Washington government depends the next move in mediation. Justice Lamar and Frederick W. Lehmann telegraphed this morning a 2,000-word report of the conference yesterday at Buffalo to the state departments and the Canadian government. The authorized representatives of General Carranza in the United States.

The general feeling here is that the United States may inaugurate a distinct change of policy, produced by the uncompromising attitude of Carranza and Cabrera.

Despatches telling of friction between Carranza and Villa report a rupture in Sonora between the governor and General Obregon and the news of constitutionalist reverses both on land and sea.

NO PERMANENT BREACH

Is Belief of Rebel Leaders Who Are in Washington.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—General Villa's action in resigning his commission and imprisoning the Carranza leaders is not interpreted by the constitutionalist leaders here as meaning a permanent breach between the two chiefs. Carranza's representatives here made an explanation that Villa had determined to rid himself of troublesome politicians associated with Carranza, who had been issuing orders without his authority, which embarrassed his movements. This had been making trouble between Villa and Carranza for some time.

DENY KNOWLEDGE OF BREAK.

Officials at Washington Say They Know Nothing of It.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—A long dispatch was received at the White House from the American delegates at Niagara Falls to-day which the officials said did not change the situation. Both the war and the state departments and the White House disclaimed having any official information on the reported break between Villa and Carranza.

NEW HORRORS WERE TOLD.

At Inquiry Into Sinking of the Empress of Ireland.

Quebec, June 17.—Evidence amplifying the known contentions in regard to the cause of the disaster to the Empress of Ireland at Father Point in the St. Lawrence on May 29 was brought out at yesterday's opening session of the investigating commission of which Lord Mersey of the British House of Peers is chairman.

So far the arguments of Captain Kendall of the Empress that he was stationary when rammed by the collier Storstad and of the owners of the collier that the Empress placed herself in front of the Norwegian vessel, which had the right of way, were only emphasized. Captain Kendall was on a stand for several hours and gave a straightforward account of the disaster along the lines of his testimony at the Rimouski inquest.

Questioned by Lord Mersey as to why he stopped his ship when he had turned his green light to that of the Storstad, in conformity with navigation rules, he claimed he took the step as a safeguarding measure owing to the fog. He could not be induced by the lawyer for the Storstad, C. S. Haight, of New York, to admit that his boat could have drifted in front of the Storstad, unless the collier had changed her course after the fog hid her from him, which was the case, in his opinion.

That the collier had not changed her course after first sighting the Empress, though abortive attempts had been made to port her helm after she had been slowed down, and that the Empress was crossing her bows, were the principal points in the testimony of Alfred Tufte, first officer of the Storstad, who was examined during the afternoon. This witness also repeated the story that the Empress' sailors refused to go back in boats to carry on rescue work after once reaching the Storstad.

Mr. Haight supplemented the evidence of Tufte, at the request of Lord Mersey, by giving as his explanation of the disaster a belief that the big liner thought she could cross the bows of the slow-going collier and that her helm was ordered port by one officer and starboard by another, suggesting a confusion of orders that Captain Kendall indignantly repudiated.

New chapters illustrating the horror of the disaster were added by Captain Kendall in his testimony, the most startling being his description of how a sheet of flame burst from the Empress after she was rammed, the prow of the collier evidently penetrating clear through her boilers. The first authentic account was also given of a distressing scene enacted when Captain Kendall on the verge of a collapse, met Captain Andersen, the collier's commander, who reached the Storstad. Apparently, until Captain Kendall was taken away insensible, he vehemently argued that the collier had rammed him at full speed, while Captain Andersen contended that the liner was at fault.

The captain and first officer of the collier Storstad testified to-day in the inquiry and contradicted in several particulars statements made on the stand yesterday by Captain Kendall of the lost liner.

BURNED TRYING TO SAVE HOUSE.

D. L. Kemp of Colchester Injured About Face and Arms.

Burlington, June 17.—The residence in Colchester, owned by D. L. Kemp and Miss Hattie Douglas, was destroyed by fire late yesterday afternoon in spite of the efforts of the Burlington fire department. The firemen exhausted all the chemicals with the automobile fire truck, and then pumped the well dry, after which they and the neighbors formed a bucket brigade from the river to the house.

The house was of stone on the first story and wood above, and nothing remains but the stone walls. Mr. Kemp was badly burned about the face and arms while making a determined effort to put out the fire before the arrival of the firemen. Much furniture was saved, although in a damaged condition. The loss is \$1,500, and is covered by insurance.

SUES TELEPHONE COMPANY.

Stanley F. Garfield Wants \$20,000 Damages at St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, June 17.—The case of Stanley F. Garfield against the Passumpsic Telephone company was begun in California county court yesterday before Judge E. M. Butler of Rutland. Garfield sues for \$20,000 for injuries alleged to have been received by falling from a pole while in the company's employ as a lineman.

When the pole fell with him and a fellow employe he was thrown into a brook and both legs were broken. The case will probably occupy the remainder of the week.

DEPOSED OFFICIAL ACCUSED.

William Wright Charged With Selling Hyde Park's Electric Light Wire.

Hyde Park, June 17.—Charged with selling a quantity of electric light wire belonging to the village of Hyde Park, William Wright, the electrician in charge of the plant, was arrested yesterday. He waived examination and is under \$1,000 bonds for appearance at the December term of county court. Wright is an expert electrician and has been in charge of the village plant about two years. His place is now temporarily filled by Willis Terrill of Morrisville.

777 DEGREES AT YALE

Were Conferred at Graduation Exercises To-day.

New Haven, Conn., June 17.—Yale today conferred 777 degrees in the course and 21 honorary degrees at the 214th commencement exercises. William C. Gorgas, chief sanitary officer of the Panama canal, and Romulo S. Nason, Argentine minister to the United States, and Mexican mediator, received the degree of doctor of laws.

SNOWFALL NEAR WINDSOR.

Mountains Were Whittened by Winter Covering Yesterday.

Windsor, June 17.—Early yesterday snow fell in this place and Acutey mountain was covered. The Cornish hills across the Connecticut river in New Hampshire were also white with snow. It was one of the coldest June days ever recorded in this section.

STORE FELL
ON TRACKS

Peculiar Accident at Lowell, Mass., To-day Injured Seven Persons

PASSENGER TRAIN HAD JUST LEFT DEPOT

The Store Was Located on Bridge Over Boston & Maine Railroad

Lowell, Mass., June 17.—A fruit store which was located on a bridge over the Boston & Maine railroad tracks here collapsed and fell to the track this morning, injuring seven persons. A train had just left the depot at the time of the collapse, having been standing just where the collapsed building landed. It was an exceedingly narrow escape for the large number of passengers on the train. The tracks were blocked by the debris for some time. The store was conducted by Irving Barlow.

Collision at Quincy.

Quincy, Mass., June 17.—Five persons were hurt, two seriously, when two trolley cars of the Bay State Trolley Co. were in collision at the entrance to the Fore River shipyard to-day. Two of the passengers were taken to the hospital. They will recover.

STRANDED SHIP
PROBABLY LOST

The Maine, Which Was Presented to British Nation by American Women, Went Aground To-day.

Glasgow, June 17.—The hospital ship Maine, presented to the British nation by American women during the South African war, went ashore on the Firth of Lorne, on the west coast of Scotland, to-day during a fog. It is feared she is a total wreck.

COULD WRECK BIG LEAGUES.

Threat by Gilmore of the Federal League To-day.

Chicago, June 17.—The Federal league can wreck from a playing standpoint, the two big leagues within 30 days if it cares to sign all the players who have asked to be taken over, according to a statement made here to-day by James A. Gilmore, president of the Federals. Gilmore repeated his statement that 40 players are ready to leave the National and American leagues, but would not say how many would be absorbed at this time.

NATIVE OF GLASGOW.

Bennet Burleigh Was Widely Known War Correspondent.

London, June 17.—The death occurred to-day of Bennet Burleigh, the oldest and most widely known war correspondent. He was born in Glasgow nearly 70 years ago. He fought with the American Confederates and covered many wars for the London Telegraph.

Brown Confers 165 Degrees.

Providence, R. I., June 17.—A class of 106 men and 50 women received bachelor degrees at the Brown university commencement to-day. Nine honorary degrees were conferred, including doctor of laws on Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard.

Frost Ruined Corn.

Middletown, N. Y., June 17.—Frost did considerable damage in some sections of Sullivan and Delaware counties last night. Corn was ruined in some cases and fruit suffered generally.

POTASH IMPORTATIONS

Amounted to 600,000,000 Pounds in the United States in 1913.

The importation of "potash salts" for consumption into the United States during 1913 amounted to 600,000,000 pounds, valued at \$10,800,000, according to W. C. Phalen, of the United States Geological Survey. This importation is only a part, however, of the potash salts entering the United States, as shown by the figures of the department of commerce. To it should be added the importation of kainite and "manure salts," including "double manure salts." The imports of these classes of material amount to nearly 700,000 tons, valued at \$4,500,000, making a total of more than \$15,000,000 as the value of imported potash salts of all classes.

The imports for consumption of materials entering largely into the fertilizer industry plus the value of the domestic phosphate rock reached the total value of \$52,900,460. The statistics in detail, together with others showing the condition of the German potash industry are given in the geological survey's report on potash just issued as a chapter of the volume "Mineral Resources of the United States for 1913."

The activities of the United States Geological Survey in the investigation of potash salts during 1913 were more restricted than in previous years. In the field drilling was carried on in two areas, Columbus marsh and Black Rock desert, Nevada; but it was of short duration, owing to the inaccessibility of the area for an unusually long period of the year on account of heavy rains, which made it impossible to transport apparatus to the drill sites. A general plan involving the stratigraphic study of the so-called "red bed" salines of certain parts of the southwestern states including New Mexico, Arizona, and Utah, was begun by N. H. Darton, and field work was carried on for several months.

TO BE TRIED AT PLATTSBURG.

J. E. Alexander Is Temporarily Held at St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, June 17.—J. E. Alexander, a promoter and traveling salesman for the American News Vending Machine company of St. Johnsbury, was placed in jail here yesterday on the charge of grand larceny of the first degree in New York state.

Alexander was arrested last Sunday night in Springfield, Mass., at the instance of Sheriff W. H. Worthen of St. Johnsbury. Requisition papers were issued by Gov. Fletcher at the request of Gov. Glynn of New York. Deputy Sheriff George F. Winch of Melrose brought the man to St. Johnsbury yesterday.

Alexander came to grief in Plattsburgh, N. Y., and will be taken there soon.

He is one of the men against whom suit was brought in Burlington two weeks ago for alleged swindling, the plaintiff, C. B. Arnold, seeking to recover \$10,000. The man came here from Maine a few years ago to promote the stock of the American News Vending Machine company.

INCREASED BY \$1,000 CHECK.

Vermont Teachers' Retirement Fund Has Generous Supporter.

St. Johnsbury, June 17.—Miss Caroline Woodruff, a member of the board of managers of the state teachers' retirement fund, has received a check for \$1,000 for the Vermont fund from a woman who does not wish her name mentioned.

The gift is from a personal friend of Miss Woodruff and is in honor of Miss Bertha Cary on her completion of 25 years' teaching service in Vermont.

Miss Cary is a primary teacher in Rutland county and the donor takes this way of showing her appreciation of her work and the cause to which she makes the contribution.

NORTH BENNINGTON PRIEST.

Rev. Thomas Schaefer Had Been in Priesthood Since 1892.

Bennington, June 17.—Rev. Thomas Schaefer, 12 years pastor of the Church of St. John the Baptist at North Bennington, died yesterday afternoon following a long illness. He was born in Austria, L. I., 1857, and was educated in Vineland, N. J., and in Paris. He was ordained to the priesthood at Baltimore, September, 1892, by Cardinal Gibbons. His first church was St. Albans. Later he was transferred to Bristol, and then to North Bennington. The funeral will be held at the church Thursday forenoon at ten o'clock with solemn requiem mass by the Rt. Rev. Joseph J. Rice, bishop of Burlington. The body will be taken to New York for burial in Calvary cemetery. Clergy are invited to attend and no special invitation will be issued owing to lack of time.

G. T. VICE-PRESIDENT
DIED IN VIRGINIA

Martin M. Reynolds Was at Old Point Comfort When Stricken with Death—Burial Will Be at St. Albans.

St. Albans, June 17.—News was received here this afternoon of the death this morning at Hotel Chamberlain, Old Point Comfort, Va., of Martin M. Reynolds, vice president of the Grand Trunk railway, in charge of the financial department of the road. The body will be brought to St. Albans for burial.

Mr. Reynolds had been ill for several months with Bright's disease. He was a former resident of this city for several years and was general auditor of the Grand Trunk railway. He had been in St. Albans since he had been located at Montreal.

NEW CASE BROUGHT.

By the Administrator of Estate of Man Killed by Electricity.

The case of Elson LaRochelle, administrator of the estate of Angelo Locascio, vs. the Consolidated Lighting Co. and the Charles H. Tenney Co., a New Hampshire corporation, has been filed with Washington county court, alleging negligence on the part of the defendants and setting up the ad damnum at \$15,000. A previous case growing out of the fatal injury to Locascio had been brought merely against the Consolidated company. H. W. Scott and J. W. Gordon appear for the plaintiff.

Locascio was a mason and was employed on the transformer house on Granite street in Barre when he came in contact with a live wire. The suit declared the defendants were negligent in not providing a safe place for the men to work.

In the suit of E. L. Smith & Co. vs. Harry J. Smith and James A. Long, general assumption, has also been entered in the court, S. Hollister Jackson appearing for the plaintiff. The case of Angelo Lamperti vs. William Jeffrey, Antonio Cella and Andrew Abiatti and E. D. Edgerton, trustees, an appeal from city court, has been filed, with Thierliet & Hunt representing the plaintiff.

INJURED BY EXPLOSION.

Pan of Primers Went Off at Robin Hood Factory.

St. Albans, June 17.—Jay Sartwell, a young man in the employ of the Robin Hood Ammunition factory, was injured late yesterday afternoon when a pan of primers at the Robin Hood plant exploded. He came to this city accompanied by Dr. A. L. Cross and was taken last evening to Montreal by Dr. G. C. Berkeley, where an X-ray examination will be made at the Royal Victoria hospital to determine whether a part of a primer lodged in the eyeball.

GOT DRUNK ON DREGS

Respondent Told Judge in Montpelier City Court.

In Montpelier city court to-day Charles Morris pleaded guilty to a first offense of intoxication and was fined \$5, with costs of \$5.50, which he paid. He was arrested in Montpelier last night. Edward Freedom, who has made several appearances in court, was arraigned for a subsequent offense. He did not pay the fine of \$15 and costs of \$5.50, and he was committed to the county jail. When asked where he got the liquor, the respondent said he got it out of the barrels which were supposed to be emptied.

SEE SIGHTS IN
GRANITE LAND

New England Cemetery Superintendents Spend Day in Manufacturing Plants

AUTO TOURS TO CLOSE DAY'S PROGRAM

Banquet Last Evening Was Big Feature of Their Annual Outing

New England cemetery superintendents were favored with the most ideal weather conditions on the second and last day of their annual outing. In contrast to the sodden skies that momentarily threatened to interfere with the program yesterday, the sun smiled forth this morning. Better conditions for getting about the city could hardly be expected. Yesterday's rain dispelled large clouds of dust that have been flying about since early June, and a cooling breeze tempered the heat. Breakfast was served in the vestry of the Congregational church, and immediately afterwards the visitors entrained at the Barre railroad crossing on Prospect street and were conveyed to the cutting plants at the south end.

There they were given an opportunity to inspect some of Barre's modern finishing plants. After spending some time in the southern end of the city the party were carried back through the city to the north end, where more time was enjoyed in watching the operations incident to fashioning splendid monuments out of the rough stone. A corps of guides was on hand to impart information to all, and the visitors evinced much interest in the various processes through which the granite is put.

In more than one instance the visitors were given an excellent insight into the workings by the thoughtfulness of managers who had previously planned to have a big cutting job under the hammer and ready for minute inspection. Everywhere the tourists met with an enthusiastic reception, and no pains were spared to make their stay in each plant an interesting and instructive feature of the trip.

Dinner having been served at noon, automobiles were pressed into service for an inspection trip through Barre's cemeteries. Both Elmwood and Hope cemeteries were visited in succession. Later there was a trip to Montpelier and a circuitous side-excursion along the Northford road to Berlin pond. Returning home, the party planned to make a stop at the Morrison farm on west hill. To-night there will be supper served in the church vestry and a band concert in city park in the early evening.

Accommodation cars, that have been reserved in this city since yesterday, will be available for connection with the Green Mountain express at 9:30 o'clock this evening, when most of the superintendents, with their own guests, plan to leave for their homes. It is expected that one feature of the farewell ovation as the guests are about to depart will be a concert at the station by the Citizens' band.

THE BANQUET GET-TOGETHER.

About 250 People Participated in Pleasant Feature.

A genuine get-together affair was the banquet given in honor of the cemetery superintendents in Howland hall last evening by the Board of Trade, the Granite Manufacturers, the Merchants, and the Quarry Owners' associations. Unless an exception is made of the big dinner which marked the close of "Barre day" last August, nothing that has happened in several years has brought together so representative a body of men connected directly or indirectly with the quarrying, manufacturing, advertising and planning of Barre granite. Something of an official nature was attached to the banquet, for one of the guests of the evening was Alderman John F. Cook, representing the mayor, whose cordial welcome was voiced as much in behalf of the citizens at large as the members of those particular organizations who were responsible for the rousing reception accorded the superintendents. The evening of the New England Cemetery Superintendents' association had its high tide at the banquet last evening.

It was nearly 8 o'clock when the banquet began. Covers had been laid for upwards of 250 people, and there was scarcely a vacant place at the long rows of tables. The dinner was served by the Barre Woman's club, the members of which were assisted in the serving by a number of young women of the city. The menu was a culinary achievement. Each course was served in an appetizing manner and the different dishes, be it said in truth, were prepared with a degree of skill that had its reflection in the satisfied air that marked the bearing of the diners as they settled back into their chairs for the after-dinner exercises. From an advantageous point at the north end of the hall, Bruce's orchestra tuned up ere the banquet began and some of the catchy selections of the musicians helped materially in making the occasion a gay one. It is needless to remark that the orchestra members came in for their share of the applause during the evening, whether they happened to be playing in the banquet hour or interspersing with some popular lay some of the more solid, or speechy parts of the postprandial program.

In assigning credit for the successful manner in which the musical numbers on the program were carried out, mention should be made of the soloists, Thomas J. Mercer and Karl Forsell. Mr. Mercer's first song, "Where the Shannon River Flows," was the signal for the most prolonged applause of the evening. He was compelled to respond to an encore and later on the audience would have nothing but another request for him to be sung.

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CAUCUS ENDORSED GORMAN.

There Were 133 Ballots Cast and All but One Were for Him.

Democrats in caucus at the Miles hall last evening endorsed the candidacy of George W. Gorman for the office of postmaster to succeed the present incumbent by the substantial vote of 132. There were 133 ballots cast and one was a blank. Chairman Gorman of the Democratic city committee called the caucus to order and read the warning. Arthur E. Campbell was elected chairman and G. Herbert Pape was appointed chairman. On a motion made by D. M. Miles, balloting proceeded without any nominations, ballot slips bearing the name of one candidate and blank slips having been distributed among the voters. The check list was not in use and the chairman requested that the voting be restricted along party lines. He appointed as tellers P. E. McNulty, J. Gould More and Daniel J. Sullivan. The box remained open one half-hour, as authorized in the motion of Mr. Miles, who also incorporated therein a provision that the majority rule should obtain in stamping the approval of the caucus on any one candidate.

Under article 3 of the warning, E. J. Owens offered a resolution instructing the chairman and the secretary of the caucus to furnish the postmaster general and the president a complete report of the meeting, to include the vote cast and the standing of the candidates, and to furnish both the postmaster general and the president copies of the local newspapers of each date on which the warning for the caucus appeared. Later the resolution was adopted on Mr. Owens' motion. The article mentioned in connection with the resolution sought a proper method for presenting to the officials at Washington the results of the caucus.

ORDERED BEER RETURNED.

Judge Scott Decided the Evidence Not Sufficient.

For three hours this forenoon the state and counsel for the defense in the city court case against Ricardo Rivas, charged with illegal transportation of liquor, locked horns in one of the most litigious binding over proceedings in the annals of the court. The case against Rivas grew out of a seizure made in the Syrian colony on Prospect street last Saturday morning by Chief Sinclair and Constable George L. Morris, who took charge of a barrel of bottled beer which Rivas is alleged to have been unlawfully carrying. A floor prepared to-day for Rivas and City Grand Juror Wishart represented the prosecution.

Chief Sinclair, the only witness for the state, testified to seizing the barrel just as it was about to be rolled into the door of Peter Corey's house. His testimony tended to uphold the state's contention that the beer was being transported for illegal purposes, even though two wooden slabs, said to have been taken from the top of the barrel, and admitted as exhibits in the hearing, bore the name of A. Camino and not Corey. The defense introduced Rivas, Corey and Camino, who lives in Graniteville. Their evidence had a tendency to establish the fact that Rivas was engaged to carry away a load of boxes from the Corey house.

It was after the direct evidence of each witness had been introduced that dissensions aspects of the hearing manifested themselves. Grand Juror Wishart sought to establish in fact the contention that Rivas knowingly transported illegally in a specific instance, while his opponent clung to the assertion that the beer and the chance stop at Corey's house had no connection whatsoever. Frequently the attorneys indulged in personalities and near the close of the hearing the debate waxed warm, indeed. Judge Scott, declining to hold the respondent on the evidence offered by the state, released him from his bonds of \$500 and ordered returned the bottled beer taken by the officers Saturday.

COUNTY C. E. CONVENTION

Is Being Held in Barre Congregational Church.

Some thirty delegates from different towns about assembled in the Congregational church this forenoon for the 38th annual convention of the Washington county union of Christian Endeavor. The morning session opened at 10 o'clock and continued until noon, when a recess was taken for dinner, served in the vestry of the First Baptist church. Rev. Duncan Salmon of the First Presbyterian church led in devotional exercises and the Rev. J. Barnett made the opening address, to which a response was made by the vice-president, Miss Jessie L. Stanton of Roxbury. President Earl M. Lewis of this city was in the chair, and at his call the reports of the various officers were given and committees were appointed for the day.

"Our Father's Business" was the subject of an inspirational address by Rev. Fred McNeil of the Graniteville Presbyterian church, who avowed that the topic in the absence of Rev. William Gartschore of the Westville Baptist church. Following the roll-call for the various societies, the convention adjourned for the dinner hour. Dr. Barnett presided at an informal program of after-dinner exercises, and among those who spoke were Rev. A. J. Lord of Orange, Rev. William C. Clark of Barre, secretary of the Congregational state convention, Rev. Frank Henshaw of the Berlin Congregational church, Miss Beulah Bates, state secretary of the Christian Endeavor, and Rev. Mr. Salmon. This afternoon at 1:45 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Salmon led the devotional services and Rev. Mr. Clark gave an address on "The Christian Endeavor in the Reconstruction Period." Interest in the evening program, which begins at 8:45 o'clock, centers around the illustrated lecture to be given by Miss Bates, who recently completed a winter's tour through the holy land. Miss Bates has a large number of stereoscopic views that are to be thrown on a screen. A descriptive account will accompany the pictures.

FLIGHT CAUSED EXCITEMENT.

Inmate Temporarily Got Away from Waterbury Asylum.

Waterbury, June 17.—A patient escaping from the ninth hall at the state hospital at noon yesterday sent the white frocked men in every direction, bicycles and automobiles being utilized. He was tracked through the meadow and cemetery, across the river, over the hills and was found in the Crockett hill section. The automobile, in which the attendants had the man, in making speed for the hospital frightened the driving horses of B. G. Berry. Mr. Berry was thrown out but not injured.

FRANCHISE
RATE HOLDS

Declares Barre City Council on Proposed Increase of 7 Cents

INCREASE CITY LIMITS IT MUST BE 5 CENTS

City Clerk Instructed to Call Corporation's Attention to Stipulation

The first formal protest against the proposed increase of fares on the street car line of the Barre & Montpelier Traction & Power Co. on July 8, next, as announced by the company, was made by the Barre city council at its regular meeting last night when the city clerk was instructed to call the attention of the company to the franchise under which it is operating in the streets of Barre and by which the fare inside the city limits was fixed at five cents a ride. The action followed the appearance of a deputation from the Central Labor union which desired to know what the city was going to do about the matter.

The deputation asserted that it considered the city of Barre the proper agent to bring formal protest against proposed increase of rates inasmuch as it was the city that had given the corporation the right to operate in the streets of the city; it also desired the city to use its influence against proposed increase of the workmen's tickets, so-called, from two and one-half to three and one-half cents per ride. The members of the delegation also asserted that an official of the corporation had told them that a recently promulgated ruling by a public service commission (what state they did not know) had given the right to raise fares. Several members of the city council, replying to the latter presentation, declared that no law or order could give the right to raise fares inside the city of Barre contrary to the stipulation of the contract entered into between the corporation and the municipality when the franchise was granted; moreover, that the franchise still compelled the company to grant a five-cent fare inside the city limits. It was also declared that a similar franchise was given by the city of Montpelier.

Then followed some desultory talk by the council and visitors regarding the possibility of the corporation charging five cents inside the limits of each city and then charging two extra cents inside the limits of the town of Berlin, through which the line runs, in order to bring the total fare up to the proposed 12 cents. Such speculation eventuated in nothing except to confirm the council and visitors in the belief that the city has no legal control except as to the fare charged inside the bounds of the municipal corporation.

Therefore, acting under that belief, the council merely ordered the clerk to make formal representation to the traction company regarding the stipulation of the franchise as to the fare inside the city.

"Parking" Autos on Street.

All the talk at the meeting was not expended on trolley fares, because a great deal was said pro and con the rights of automobile owners to cause their cars to stand on the streets, whether in North Montpelier or in Barre or on any street for that matter. Before the matter had been exhausted as a subject for controversy, Grand Juror Wishart and Chief of Police Sinclair had been invited